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The State of Qatar is submitting this report in response to the request made in the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons that States parties to the Treaty should report through the United Nations Secretariat to the President of the 2005 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, as well as to the Chairperson of the Preparatory Committee meetings, on steps taken to promote the achievement of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East and the realization of the goals and objectives of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East.

1. The State of Qatar supports the establishment of a zone free of weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East.

2. The State of Qatar acceded to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons on 3 April 1989.

3. In the framework of the League of Arab States, the State of Qatar is participating in the elaboration of a draft treaty establishing in the Middle East a zone free of weapons of mass destruction and, in particular, nuclear weapons.

4. The State of Qatar shares the position taken by States parties at the 2000 Review Conference urging Israel to accede to the Treaty and place its nuclear facilities under the International Atomic Energy Agency full-scale safeguards regime so as to achieve the goal of universal adherence to the Treaty and realize the aspiration for the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone.